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DAY ONE | FRIDAY 19 APRIL 2024 | **NJV ATHENS PLAZA**

		INSTITUTION	SPEAKER
9:15 – 9:30	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION		
9:30 – 11:00	CHAIRS Dimitris Doganis Marry van den Heuvel-Eibrink SOLID TUMORS-1 WILMS: Introduction Bridging SIOP and COG Wilms, the SIOP-RTSG approach, progress through international collaboration WILMS – COG approach Genetic predisposition for Wilms	ELPIDA – MARIANNA V. VARDINOYANNIS CHILDREN'S ONCOLOGY UNIT PRINCESS MÁXIMA CENTER FOR PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA ELPIDA – MARIANNA V. VARDINOYANNIS CHILDREN'S ONCOLOGY UNIT	Dimitris Doganis Marry van den Heuvel-Eibrink Nicholas Evageliou Periklis Makrythanasis
11:00 – 11:30	COFFEE BREAK		
11:30 – 13:00	CHAIRS Vassilios Papadakis Rochelle Bagatell SOLID TUMORS-2 Neuroblastoma – Novel Approaches /developments (COG) Neuroblastoma – Novel Approaches /developments (SIOPEN) to be confirmed	CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA ELPIDA – MARIANNA V. VARDINOYANNIS CHILDREN'S ONCOLOGY UNIT SICKKIDS	Rochelle Bagatell Vassilios Papadakis Daniel Morgenstern
13:00 – 14:30	LUNCH BREAK		



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14:30 – 16:30	CHAIRS Antonis Kattamis Olaf Witt		
CNS Tumors	Low grade gliomas: how I treat (NF and non-NF)	CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA	Cassie Kline
	GENTURIS guidelines for NF: "gnous pratte"	ELPIDA – MARIANNA V. VARDINOYANNIS CHILDREN'S ONCOLOGY UNIT	Kleoniki Roka
Advances in diagnosis and treatment	Pediatric Precision Oncology in INFORM: lessons learned and future developments	DKFZ GERMAN CANCER RESEARCH CENTER	Olaf Witt
	Participation in the INFORM study: The Greek Contribution	ELPIDA – MARIANNA V. VARDINOYANNIS CHILDREN'S ONCOLOGY UNIT	Maria Filippidou
	Drug Development in Pediatric Oncology	PRINCESS MÁXIMA CENTER FOR PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY	Michel Zwaan
16:30 – 17:00	COFFEE BREAK		
17:00 – 18:30	CHAIRS Zenia Saridaki Eftichia Stiakaki		
AYA	Translational genomics and targeted therapy of Ewing sarcoma	DKFZ GERMAN CANCER RESEARCH CENTER	Thomas Grünwald
	Special needs of the adolescent patient	UNIVERSITY OF THESSALY	Emmanouil Saloustros
	Treating AYA patients: exchange of experiences	CHOP – DKFZ – PMC GREECE	Discussion
19:30 – 22:30	OPENING CEREMONY – DINNER		



6.30 HOURS



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DAY TWO | **SATURDAY 20 APRIL 2024** | **NJV ATHENS PLAZA**

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SPEAKER

9:30 – 11:30

CHAIRS Sophia Polychronopoulou
Evgenios Gousetis

ALL

Emerging molecular/cytogenetic markers
at diagnosis

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Mirella Ampatzidou

Emerging molecular/cytogenetic markers
at cell therapies

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Christina
Oikonomopoulou

ALL Novel immunotherapies apart CAR-T

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
OF PHILADELPHIA

Stephen Hunger

The role of alloBMT in first line ALL
treatment

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
OF PHILADELPHIA

Alix Seif

Tailored graft strategy for children receiv-
ing unrelated peripheral blood stem cell
transplantation

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Aikaterini Kaisari

Donor derived Car-T cells for relapses of
pediatric CD19 + B-ALL after HSCT

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Anna Komitopoulou

11:30 – 12:00

COFFEE BREAK

12:00 – 14:00

CHAIRS Maria Pagoni
Georgia Avgerinou

ALL: Learning from the pediatric field

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KAPODISTRIAN
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Panagiotis Tsirigotis

infant KMT2A rearranged acute
lymphoblastic leukemia

PRINCESS MÁXIMA
CENTER FOR
PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY

Rob Pieters

Emerging therapies for pediatric AML

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
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Sarah Tasian

The future of CAR-T therapies
(all indications)

CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL
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Steve Grupp

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14:00 – 15:30	LUNCH		
15:30 – 18:00	CHAIRS Marina Servitzoglou Charikleia Kelaïdi		
SUPPORTIVE CARE	Cancer Predisposition Syndromes – introduction	ELPIDA – MARIANNA V. VARDINOYANNIS CHILDREN'S ONCOLOGY UNIT	Antonis Kattamis
	Legal frame and ethical dilemmas in cancer predisposition testing	CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA	Suzanne MacFarland
	The success story of volunteer haematopoietic stem cell donation in Greece. The role of ORAMA ELPIDAS Bone Marrow Donor Center	ELPIDA – MARIANNA V. VARDINOYANNIS CHILDREN'S ONCOLOGY UNIT	Sophia Karatasaki
	ID Prophylaxis in pediatric Oncology	ELPIDA / CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL OF PHILADELPHIA	Theoklis Zaoutis
	Psychosocial care for children and adolescents with cancer	ELPIDA – MARIANNA V. VARDINOYANNIS CHILDREN'S ONCOLOGY UNIT	Marina Servitzoglou
	Paving the way for probiotic therapy in childhood cancer	ELPIDA UNIVERSITY OF COLUMBIA	Elena Ladas
	Survivorship	PRINCESS MÁXIMA CENTER FOR PEDIATRIC ONCOLOGY	Marry van den Heuvel Eibrink



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AVGERINOU GEORGIA	MD, PhD, Hematologist, Division of Pediatric Hematology – Oncology, First Department of Pediatrics, National and Kapo- distrian University of Athens, "Aghia Sophia" Children's Hospital, Athens, Greece
BAGATELL ROCHELLE (RO)	MD, Solid Tumor Section Chief, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Professor of Pediatrics, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania
DOGANIS DIMITRIS	MD, PhD, MSc, Pediatric Oncologist, Head – NHS Director of Oncology Department of «P&A Kyriakou Children's Hospital, Children's Oncology Unit "Marianna V. Vardinoyannis-ELPIDA", Athens, Greece
EVAGELIOU NICHOLAS (NICK)	MD, Medical Director, Hematology/Oncology Clinic, Specialty Care & Surgery Center, Voorhees, NJ Associate Professor of Clinical Pediatrics in Hematology and Oncology, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania
FILIPPIDOU MARIA	Attending Physician, Division of Pediatric Hematology-Oncology First Department of Pediatrics, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, "Aghia Sophia" Children's Hospital, Athens, Greece, Guest-scientist, German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ), Hopp Children's Cancer Center (KiTZ), University of Heidelberg, Germany
GOUSETIS EVGENIOS	Pediatric Hematologist – Oncologist, Director of STEM Cell Transplant and Cellular Therapies Unit, Children's Oncology Unit "Marianna V. Vardinoyannis – ELPIDA", "Aghia Sophia" Children's Hospital, Athens, Greece
GRUNEWALD THOMAS	MD, PhD, Division of Translational Pediatric Sarcoma Research (B410), Hopp Children's Cancer Center Heidelberg (KiTZ) and German Cancer Research Center (DKFZ)

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HUNGER STEPHEN (STEVE)	MD, Chief, Division of Pediatric Oncology, Director, Center for Childhood Cancer Research, Associate Director (Pediatric Cancer Research), Abramson Cancer Center Jeffrey E. Perelman Distinguished Chair in the Department of Pediatrics, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Professor of Pediatrics, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania
KAISARI AIKATERINI	Hematologist, BMT Unit, Children's Oncology Unit "Marianna V. Vardinoyannis -ELPIDA", "Aghia Sophia" Children's Hospital, Athens, Greece
KARATASAKI SOFIA	Mphil, Search & Transplant Coordinator
KATTAMIS ANTONIS	Professor of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Head, Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology, First Department of Pediatrics – National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, "Aghia Sophia" Children's Hospital, Athens, Greece
KELAIDI CHARIKLEIA	Hematologist, NHS Director, Department of Pediatric Hematology Oncology (T.A.O.), "Aghia Sophia" Children's Hospital, Athens, Greece
KLINE CASSIE	MD, MAS, Attending Physician Director, Neuro-Oncology Clinical Research Division of Oncology, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia Project Co-Leader and Director of Data Quality and Integration, Pediatric Neuro-Oncology Consortium
KOMITOPOULOU ANNA	Haematologist, MD, PhD, ELPIDA Stem Cell Transplant Unit-Centre for Cell and Gene Therapy, Children's Oncology Unit "Marianna V. Vardinoyannis – ELPIDA" "Aghia Sophia" Children's Hospital, Athens, Greece



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LADA ELENA	PhD, RD, Sid and Helaine Lerner Professor for Global Integrative Medicine, Columbia University Irving Medical Center, Co-Director, Center for Comprehensive Wellness Director, International Initiative for Pediatrics and Nutrition Associate Research Director, Pediatric Obesity Program
MACFARLAND SUZANNE	MD, MS, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics (Oncology), Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania
MAKRYTHANASIS PERIKLIS	MD, PhD, PD, Asst Professor Medical Genetics Laboratory of Medical Genetics Medical School National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
MORGENSTERN DANIEL	Staff Physician, Solid Tumour Section, Haematology/Oncology, Director, New Agent and Innovative Therapy Program (NAIT), Haematology/Oncology, Director, Therapeutic MIBG Program, Haematology/Oncology, Co-Director, Neuroblastoma Program, Haematology/Oncology, Medical Director, Oncology and BMT/CT Clinical Trials Support Unit (CTSU), Associate Scientist, Translational Medicine, Research Institute, Assistant Professor, Department of Paediatrics, University of Toronto, Canada
OIKONOMOPOULOU CHRISTINA	Hematologist, Senior Consultant, BMT Unit "Aghia Sophia" Children's Hospital, Athens, Greece
PAGONI MARIA	Hematologist, Senior Consultant, Hematology Dept. and BMT Unit Evangelismos General Hospital
PAPADAKIS VASSILIOS	MD PhD, Pediatric Hematologist- Oncologist Head of the Department of Pediatric Hematology- Oncology Oncology Unit Marianna V Vardinoyannis- ELPIDA "Agia Sofia" Children's Hospital, Athens, Greece National Coordinator for Neuroblastoma and Histiocytoses
PIETERS ROB	Prof dr Rob Pieters, pediatric oncologist, Board of Directors, CMO and co-CEO, Princess Maxima Center Pediatric Oncology

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SERVITZOGLOU MARINA	Pediatric Oncologist, NHS Consultant Children's Hospital "P. & A. Kyriakou"
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ZWAAN MICHEL	Prof. Dr. Pediatric Oncologist And Head Trial and Data Center



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